

Twenty Gems Of American Humor

news Selections From the Works of Ow Comtry's Foremost Laughmahers.

18-PLUMBERS; by Charles Dudley Warner.



PEAKING of the philosophical temper, there is no class of men whose society is more to be destred for this quality than that of plumbers. They are the most agreeable men I know; and the boys in the business begin to be agreeable very early. I suspect the secret of it is that they are agreeable by the hour. In the driest days my fountain became disabled: the pipe was stopped up.

A couple of plumbers, with the implements of their craft, came out to view the situation. There was a good deal of difference of opinion about where the stoppage was. I found the plumbers perfectly willing to sit down and talk about it—talk by the hour. Some of their guesses and remarks were exceedingly ingenious; and their general observations on other subjects were excellent in their way, and could hardly have been better if they had been

hour. The plumbers had occasion to make several visits. Sometimes they would find, upon arrival, that they had forgotten some indispensable tool, and one would go back to the shop, a mile and a half, after it, and his companion would await his return with the most exemplary patience, and sit down and talk-always by the hour. I do not know but it is a habit to have something wanted at the shop. They seemed to me very good workmen, and always willing to stop and talk about the job, or anything elso, when I went near them. Nor had they any of that impetuous hurry that is said to be the bane of our American civilization.

To their credit be it said, that I never observed anything of it in ther They can afford to wait. Two of them will sometimes wait nearly half a day while a comrade goes for a tool. They are patient and philosophical. It is a great pleasure to meet such men. One only wishes there were some work he could do for THEM by the hour. There ought to be reciprocity. I think they have very nearly solved the problem of Life; it is to work for other people, never for yourself, and got your pay by the hour.

You then have no anxiety, and little work. If you do things by the job you are perpetually driven; the hours are scourges. If you work by the hour, you gently sail on the stream of Time, which is always bearing you on to the haven of Pay, whether you make any effort or not. Working by the hour tends to make one moral.

A plumber working by the job, trying to unscrew a rusty, refractory nut in a cramped position, where the tongs continually slipped off, would swear; but I never heard one of them swear, or exhibit the least impatience at such a vexation, working by the hour. Nothing can move a man who is paid by the

How sweet the flight of time seems to his calm mind

The Housewife's Part "Produce Prices

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Betty Vincent's Advice to Lovers. The Man She Doesn't Love than to marry for any other reason ea- explain things . . On the contrary, speak in a voice denoting such exotte. You seem not to understand, Chief.



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Dossible that the mass her acquaintance. Would it be "Going to Lilic."

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It Can't Be Done!





(A ROYAL BALLON,





Edith Swan-Neck \$ {An Arsene Lupin Story}

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"I know nothing, Chief, absolutely nothing; but there's a confounded notion worrying me * * * Only it seems Chief had never seen him in such a from the truth, which otherwise might so absurd * * * And then it doesn't state of perturbation, nor heard him easily have been suspected? * * it confuses them rather." • • •

uto. cred the secret ?

You must be introduced to her first. 'What the dickens can be want to go "Lupin has often got the better of to Lille for?" wondered the chief de- me" • •

course?"

Upon my word we look like a pale of the business with an atmosphere of me." But Canimard was not laughing. His able time, and also to divert suspicion "Oh, a very dim, very incomplete but

It will mean that I have discov. the truth, the whole truth and nothing on the right track. * * * Yes, there was

"GANIMARD." lowed a glass of water and began:

SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING INSTALMENTS, who excite themselves for nothing, know the different stages which I have reptitiously into the house, were stoler

means who need this nourishment most in union there is strength; and if the case you want them most with nave all the case were the strength; and all the chosenewives were to make up their minds to do WITHOUT eggs the want stien most at Easter," is the avide of Mrs. Julian Heath. Precident of the Avide of the Convernor's Companies and a little producer sets in the Convernor's Companies and the Will of every woman who was the many due to the winds. The note explains the producer sets the will of every woman who were worked as the convertible of the latter o As seen as his mind was eased on this Now, in the matter of the tapestries, left. Now, sixty-three came in and point Ganimard continued, hurriedly:

"Ten men, Chief, at once. And please to set myself two problems. In the see" * *

All order was left for an early "gall" tries might drive him to suicide. Chief, impatiently, "if the robbery was rest, flow drive stairs, into a hank the long red whiskers. Nevertheless, Lupin, who hates the committed from the inside."

of all that disturbance in the evening "Quite absurd," said Gammard But Haverly generously paid haif, Fine's telephone wanted to give a demonstra-Well, what's it all acoust?" asked M. during the housewarming party? Ob- at the very moment when I uttered that willing did not assume normal proportion of his "new invention" some years anxiety and terror in the shortest pos-

the truth."

but doubt about it tha Lupin wanted to M. Dudouls started as though he had divert suspicions. * * to divert them received a shock, and in a voice that

doule, "A confederate, moving among the visitors, who set the alarms going mind." Tel; "You're gettin; warm, Chief; you're

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"Is that the three detectives had this list in he wasn't so all-lired jolly. Rice was a feature of linearing and could sing it. The sing making sure of each other's identity, of play and learned to know his tactics, that they still had it when the guests many years. It was while playing 8t.

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viction gradually became so positive it orders that sight, which was, of gaage, it goes something like this;
whatever the occasion might be large, the castless. e. Lupin this startling axiom: in theory and in investigation cheried the fact that the "The spoken word; the lost opportunity is cause fact, the robbery can only have been train to missed had an hour to wait at

the you follow me, Chief?"

betrayed his excitement:

"A confederate," suggested M. Du- "Come, think for yourself." 'Wo on, Chief; eay what's in you

> "Go on, Chief." "It's impossible How can Sparnien-

Make the Best of Your Looks

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LIANE CARRERA E VI.—Caring for the Complex-

most space.

that. What is the reason? I believe a remely for some. unong very young girls.

The young girls, many of them still in the fingers. school, who daub themselves with paint Simple food and much fresh air are and powder simply do not know any other invaluable aids in retaining the

ful craving to appear smart and grown up. I do not blame them, but I am surprised that their mothers are so he

ing in good sense and true aesthetic die cernment.

Nothing is so lovely as the fresh illies and roses of the young girl. The man ture patrons of the rouge box are rec trying to imitate her. Why, then, should

the attempt to imitate her imitators? Under normal conditions plain, ordi-nary soap and water are the best com-metics in the world for procuring and preserving a clear, rosy skin. Don't be afraid to wash your face often-several times a day.

If the skin is temporarily roughened

by too much wind or sun bathe it is water which has been mixed with a little glycerine and rose-water. There are some persons who cover their faces with cold cream every night on going to bed, but I have never felt it necessary to soil my pillow-case in such fashion. Only rarely do I use cold cream-if, for instance, I have been motoring in s

sharp, strong wind.

When I look at myself in the glass and find that I am getting a little pale, what do you think I do? I plunge my of beauty because it covers the sold that it is almost like toe-water, and then I rub hard with a dry towel. And yet one sees so many women with In my case the treatment is always unattractive skins—young women, at efficacious, though it might be too hereis

rate-is the prevalence of make-up sage is the best preventive of wrinkies. Naturally, I do not have to worry about Now, I am just eighteen and I have them yet. But even now when I am never used rouse in my life, except dur-ing my appearances on the stage. As my mouth are drooping and that dark every one knows, artificial stage light-ing requires artificial facial coloring, But on the street I should never dream gentle rubbing. The motion should asof covering up with paint my natural ways be upward and outward, and given

better. They have the instinctive youth- glow and texture of one's skin.

"Boys," said Emergon, "that's To-A rush was made for the rear, where

Anecdotes of the Old-Time Actors By Edw. Le Roy Rice.

(Author of "Monarchs of Minstrelsy, from Daddy Rice to Date," de.

Billy Rice's Train Race. | about to "put away" their liquid ...

tiles. "Bill" was always fat, room the strains of "Bally in One but on this particular occasion Alley," sung as only one man in the

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**Oh, a very dim, very incomplete but only the first sufficient truth: With that clue to when fully Emerson was in his of proving his claims.

A Celebrated Sailor.

**NE day, therevold years ago, miles outside of Boston for the purpose miles outside of Boston for the purpose of proving his claims. layda), and all San Francisco This theatre was managed by Mel Do you follow me, Chief?"

Was at his feet he was structed by a fiver, who asked \$16 rental from the
M. Dudouls sat silent. The same pre- valuer with a long red heard. The inventor Mr. Bell only had \$12, and

M. Dudouls started as though he had erson was compelled to go to his hotel, so little of the whole thing that he de-None the theatre was a saloon where clined to take it even as a gift. the minstrel boys were went to con-"But look here, that's preposterous" gregate after the show. It was of the Lort, a Millon." usual aind, with a room in the rear, this room, when the performance was man at the plane if he would change perous" places with him and allow him (the "Yes,"

That's way I head this little story. LONGING FOR THE OLD DAYS

"Do you think the country is pres-

satter) to play in his place. The mu- what's the good of having a whole let The performers trooped up to the of it for votes or influence? -- whole but in the front and, as they were lagten than.